

activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ UNITED STATES-CHINA MILITARY-TO-MILITARY EXCHANGES.**

(a) INSTRUCTION IN THE LAW OF WAR AND THE HAGUE AND GENEVA CONVENTIONS.—United States-China military-to-military exchanges shall include instruction in the following for PLA officers participating in the exchanges:

(1) The principles, spirit, and intent of the 1907 Hague and 1949 Geneva Conventions.

(2) The law of war prohibiting unnecessary destruction.

(3) The law of war requiring humane treatment of prisoners of war (POWs), other captured and detained personnel, and civilians.

(4) The obligation not to commit war crimes.

(5) The obligation to report all violators of the law of war.

(6) The significant provisions of the Geneva Convention Relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War, done on August 12, 1949.

(7) Full exposure to the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) and the Soldier's Handbook.

(b) HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS BY CHINA.—None of the funds made available by this Act for military-to-military exchanges may be provided to any officers of the security forces of the People's Republic of China if the Secretary of State has credible evidence that such officers have committed gross violations of human rights, unless the Secretary determines and reports to the Committees on Armed Services and Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives that the Government of the People's Republic of China is taking effective measures to bring the responsible members of the security forces to justice.

(c) HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS BY OTHER FOREIGN COUNTRIES.—None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to support any exchange program involving a unit of the security forces of a foreign country if the Secretary of Defense has received credible information from the Department of State that a member of such unit has committed a gross violation of human rights, unless all necessary corrective steps have been taken.

(d) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive the provisions of this section if he determines that extraordinary circumstances require it. Within 15 days of issuing such a waiver, the Secretary shall submit a report to the congressional defense committees describing the extraordinary circumstances, the purpose and duration of the exchange program, the United States forces involved in the training program, and the information relating to human rights violations that necessitates the waiver.

**SA 1615.** Mr. REID (for Mr. SARBANES (for himself and Mr. GRAMM)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2510, to extend the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 2, strike lines 9 through 14 and insert the following: "2002".

**"SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

"Section 711(b) of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App. 2161(b)) is amended by striking '2001' and inserting '2002'."

**SA 1616.** Mr. REID (for Mr. HOLLINGS (for himself and Mr. GREGG)) proposed

an amendment to the bill H.R. 2500, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike section 404 of the Senate amendment.

**NOTICE OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS**

**COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a closed hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Wednesday, September 26, at 9:30 a.m., in location to be announced.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on critical energy infrastructure security and the energy industry's response to the events of September 11, 2001.

Those wishing to submit written statements on this subject should address them to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Attn: Deborah Estes, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510.

For further information, please call Deborah Estes at 202/224-5360.

**AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET**

**COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be Authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Friday, September 21, 2001, at 8:30 a.m., in closed session to receive a briefing on current Department of Defense activities.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the full Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet on Friday, September 21, 2001, at 9 a.m., to conduct a hearing on following pending nominations: Brigadier General Edwin J. Arnold, Jr. to be a Member and President of the Mississippi River Commission; Nils J. Diaz to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Marianne Lamont Horinko to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, Environmental Protection Agency; Patrick Hayes Johnson to be Federal Cochairperson, Delta Regional Authority; Paul Michael Parker to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, Department of Defense; Mary E. Peters to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation; Harold Craig Manson to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, Depart-

ment of the Interior; and Brigadier General Carl A. Strock to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission.

The hearing will be held in the Rm. SD-406.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Friday, September 21, 2001, at 12 p.m., to hold a nomination hearing.

Nominees: The Honorable Arlene Render, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire; Ms. Mattie Sharpless, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic; Mr. R. Barrie Walkley, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea; Mr. Jackson McDonald, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of The Gambia; Mr. Kevin McGuire, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Namibia; Mr. Ralph Boyce, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Indonesia; and Mr. Robert Jordan, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Friday, September 21, 2001, at 9:30 a.m., for a hearing entitled "Responding to Homeland Threats: Is Our Government Organized for the Challenge?"

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR**

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Jimmie Keenan and Ray Ivie, fellows on the staff of Senator Hutchison, be granted the privilege of the floor for the duration of today's debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. CLELAND. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that privileges of the floor be granted to my staff, Steve Tryon, during the discussion of this Defense authorization bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2002**

On September 19, 2001, the Senate amended and passed H.R. 2590, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 2590) entitled "An Act making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other